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RE: Application No. 10/625,717  
In re application of: Mark A. Toffle, et al.  
Assignee: SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY LLC  
Dkt. No.: STL10953

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Mark A. Toffle, Xu Zuo, Brent M. Weichelt, and Louis J. Fioravanti  
Assignee: SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY LLC  
Application No.: 10/625,717 Group No.: 2652  
Filed: July 23, 2003 Examiner: Brian Miller  
For: SERVO TRACK WRITER WITH HELIUM BEARING

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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

## STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

## EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a)

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## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY			
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE		
TOTAL	21	- 21	= 0	x \$ 50.00	= \$	0.00	
INDEP.	3	- 3	= 0	x \$ 200.00	= \$	0.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				+ \$ 0.00	= \$	0.00	
				TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$	0.00	

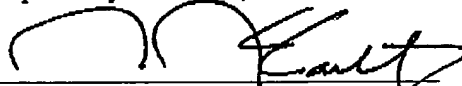
No additional fee for claims is required.

## FEE DEFICIENCY

5. If an additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 06-0540.  
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## Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10 /625,717 First Named Applicant: Mark A. Toffle  
 Examiner: Brian Miller Art Unit: 2652 Status of Application: Pending

## Tentative Participants:

(1) Examiner Miller (2) Mitchell K. McCarthy  
 (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Date of Interview: To be determined by Examiner Proposed Time: \_\_\_\_\_ (AM/PM)  
 after consideration of amendment.

## Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☒ NO

If yes, provide brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

## Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Frees '059/Watanabe</u>	<u>'189 [ ]</u>	<u>[ ]</u>	<u>[ ]</u>
(2) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Frees '059/Watanabe</u>	<u>'189 [ ]</u>	<u>[ ]</u>	<u>[ ]</u>
(3) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>Frees '059/Watanabe</u>	<u>'189 [ ]</u>	<u>[ ]</u>	<u>[ ]</u>
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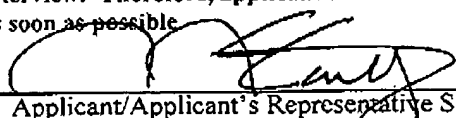
## Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

References are wholly silent regarding the recited "gas-lubricated bearing" and thus no prima facie case of obviousness has been established.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on \_\_\_\_\_.

NOTE: This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

  
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Mitchell K. McCarthy

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Registration Number, if applicable

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Examiner/SPE Signature

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.133. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 21 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, FORMS